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NEWS IN BRIEF

Six Week Choir grand finale

An evening of song awaits you all at the finale of Get to Know Rushden Week.

From zero to performance in six weeks, the 'GTKR – Town Community Choir' will bring Get to Know Rushden to a close. The event will also feature performances from local choirs and music groups. Musical Director Mr Stephen Bell, backing Mr Robert Peel, soloists Nilani Young & John Curson.

Sunday 13th July, 7pm at Heritage Chapel & Halls, Park Road, Rushden, NN10 0RW

Food bank needs your help

East Northamptonshire Council is encouraging local people to support a food bank in Thrapston.

The Bridge of Grace Food Bank provides essential groceries to those living in Thrapston and its surrounding villages during those times when money is tight.

The bank relies on food donations and welcomes cereals, rice, pasta sauces, tinned food, snacks, biscuits, tea, coffee and UHT milk. To donate or for more information, call the church on 07890 474653.

The food bank is open on the second and fourth Wednesday of each month 1.30pm–2.30pm at Thrapston Baptist Church. Please drop by if you need help.

New development boosts space for wildlife in Nene Valley

Irthlingborough Lakes and Meadows



A huge new Wildlife Trust managed nature reserve is to be created linking together four precious fragments of wildlife habitat, thanks to a planned leisure and shopping complex.

After a long delay it was announced last week that Rushden Lakes – a new multi-million pound leisure and shopping development in the heart of the Nene Valley – has been given the go-ahead by Secretary of State, Eric Pickles.

The Wildlife Trust has been working very closely with the developer LXB Properties as the development sits within the Upper Nene Valley Gravel Pits Special Protection Area, internationally important for the wetland birds that spend the winter there.

Only 31 acres of the 222-acre site will be developed, with a mixture of shops and leisure facilities; including a home and garden centre, shops on three terraces, space for up to four waterfront restaurants, a hotel and crèche, a boathouse/activity centre and a lakeside visitor

centre.

The Wildlife Trust will take on the management of the other 191 acres as a nature reserve, which will link together four of the Trust's existing nature reserves in the area to form one giant 660-acre space for wildlife. This will enable the Trust to build on the fantastic land restoration and community engagement work that it has been delivering at Irthlingborough Lakes and Meadows funded by a £1m Heritage Lottery Fund grant.

The cost of the reserve management will be paid for by the developer, which sees the nature reserve as a key selling point for the new retail scheme, with the potential to attract a huge number of visitors each year.

As part of the scheme a network of greenways will be constructed, enabling greater visitor access to this part of the Nene Valley and beyond whilst ensuring that the sensitive wildlife is protected. In addition to this a visitor centre will be built by the lakeside, using some of the highest sustainable building techniques.

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Save a lifebelt designs unveiled on the riverbank

The winning designs of a competition to design an anti-vandalism message for essential life-saving equipment on our waterways were unveiled at a special riverside ceremony hosted by East Northamptonshire Council.

The council ran a competition for under 18s to design a message or a picture to be placed inside lifebelts along the River Nene, to make a vandal or thief think twice before messing with this vital equipment. The winning designs were unveiled at Ringstead Upper Lock on 19th June ready for Drowning Prevention Week. This was the first competition of its kind in the UK and saw over 270 entries submitted.

The winners, along with their families and friends, were invited to the ceremony where they met and were congratulated by the competition judges: East Northamptonshire Council's Chairman Gill Mercer, Schools Swimming Manager (Northamptonshire County Council) Steve Jackson, Nene and Lincolnshire Waterways Manager (the Environment Agency) Sue Cant and Sector Commander (Northamptonshire Police) Inspector Inam Khan. The designs were then placed on each of the lifebelts along the river.

Councillor Gill Mercer, Chairman of East Northamptonshire Council, said: "It was very exciting to see the winning designs placed on the lifebelts and we all hope that they will help to deter vandalism of life-saving equipment along the River Nene. Well done to all who took part and please stay safe near the water."

Run by The Royal Life Saving Society UK (RLSS), Drowning Prevention Week (21st-29th June) aims to ensure everyone knows how to have fun and stay safe near water. Visit www.drowningpreventionweek.org.uk to find out more.



The designs were revealed at a special ceremony for winners and invited guests

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Past Chairman raises thousands for charity

Cllr Pam Whiting was delighted to hand over a cheque to Alzheimer's Research for £1,850 which was raised in her role as East Northamptonshire Council Chairman last year.

Pam's main fundraisers as civic head of the council were afternoon tea at The Bridge Hotel in Thrapston and a civic dinner which was held at The Courtyard in Stanwick. Monies raised were topped up by raffles and donations.

The contribution will help with research into the causes of Alzheimer's which is being carried out in Cambridge. This will hopefully lead to a prevention treatment which could help many people.

During the year, Pam also held an International Ladies Day Lunch at Stanwick Lakes which raised £200 for Water Aid, a Boobs and Brass concert at Higham Ferrers Church which raised £1,350 for Breast Cancer Charity and £1,560 for the Bell Appeal at St Mary's which will help with work to restore and re-hang the bells.

Pam and George thoroughly enjoyed the year as Chairman and Consort, visiting many different places, travelling over 5,000 miles, attending 160 events, making new friends, not only in this district but further afield and just being involved with many different communities.

Pam said: "A sincere thank you goes to all of you who have supported my various functions; the total raised over the year is fantastic and I could not have done it without your support. Thank you all very much indeed."



Cllr Pam Whiting handed a cheque to Alzheimer's Research for their work in searching for the cause and prevention treatment

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Irthlingborough Methodists refurbish Community Rooms

Builders moved on site recently to completely refurbish and upgrade the Community Rooms at the rear of the Methodist Church in College Street, Irthlingborough.

The halls complex was opened in 1960 and is now in urgent need of refurbishment and upgrade, to meet the needs of both the church and the community of

Irthlingborough in the 21st century.

Briefly the upgrade consists of:

- Reconfiguration of lobby, toilet and kitchen area to provide better facilities for the disabled
- New fitted kitchen
- Installation of a platform lift from the lobby to the large hall
- Complete rewire
- New heating system

- Complete redecoration
 - Replacement of all windows
 - New roof to outside porch and other outside maintenance work
 - Addition of suspended ceiling and large hall and stage area
 - New flooring in toilets, vestibule and kitchen
- The Irthlingborough Methodist Church is grateful for a grant of £26,000 from

the Methodist Church Fund for Property (www.methodist.org.uk) towards the approximate £150,000 cost of the project. It has also gratefully received grants from Biffa Award (www.biffa-award.org), the East Northamptonshire Council Community Facilities Fund, The Methodist Church Northampton District and Nene Valley Circuit, The Bernard Sunley Charitable Foundation, The Hunter Rowe Trust, The Maud Elkington Charitable Trust, The Garfield Weston Foundation, as well as

financial support from the church's congregation and other individuals.

Work on the project began on 2nd June and is likely to run until mid-September.



Members of the church clearing out the Community Rooms in preparation for the builders – Left to Right: Jasmine Wright, Lesley-Anne Nelson, John Fletcher, Ruth Rollings and Levi Nelson

It's only a game at the Community Safety Day!

With the World Cup final only days away, we've been gripped by the skill and talent on display. The beautiful game has the ability to bring great joy when your team is winning and very often, great anger when they don't.

This year's Community Safety Day at Stanwick Lakes on Saturday 26th July is focusing on the UK's favourite sport to give anti-social behaviour, domestic abuse and hate crime the red card.

The day will kick off at 11am and include displays from Northamptonshire Police and Fire Service, who will be bringing a cavalcade of emergency service vehicles for kids (and adults) to climb into and explore, plus a range of exhibitors giving advice and information. These include Community Law, Service Six and the Sunflower Centre, to name but a few.

As well as giving invaluable advice and information on crime prevention and community safety, the day will be full of fun

activities, including prize competitions, ranging from keepy uppy to spot the ball and as the half-time whistle blows you'll even be offered an orange segment to keep you going!

In addition to the football theme, the day will draw attention to another popular summer pastime: swimming in the lakes and rivers around the district. Whilst the cool waters may be appealing on a hot summer's day, East Northamptonshire has seen too many tragic accidents over the past couple of years.

Water safety is becoming a key message for emergency services and local authorities and getting children in particular to take home advice on being safe around water and to not vandalise life-saving equipment will be a step forward in reducing the deaths and accidents on our waterways.

A full list of activities, exhibitors and competitions can be found on the East Northamptonshire Council website by visiting www.east-northamptonshire.gov.uk/onlyagame.

Thrapston2Rushden by boot or bike

Enjoy the River Nene from Thrapston all the way to Rushden and back again, guided by a Boots & Bikes leaflet courtesy of East Northamptonshire Council.

There's so much to discover, from the old market town of Thrapston and its wonderful Nine Arches Bridge, all the way to East Northamptonshire's largest town, Rushden. And you can do it by foot or on your bike as the leaflet

includes maps and routes for both. The map also includes points of interest and useful amenities en route including toilets, chemists and pubs. With Stanwick Lakes on the way, there is something

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With mud, blood and stiff upper lips, The Pantaloons' History of Britain presents our country's past as you've never seen it before. Join a breathless race through the centuries in this delightfully inventive open-air show, which tells the story of Britain in under two hours.

Harold II and William the Conqueror don't see eye to eye. Henry VIII decides five marriages just isn't enough. Queen Victoria is most certainly not amused...

This historically hysterical show is packed with songs, sketches and silliness and is suitable for all ages.

The Pantaloons began life ten years ago as an open-air theatre company, busking plays for donations in parks and on the streets, where they developed an attention grabbing, interactive and playful performance style.

"We characterise our work as post-modern folk theatre," says Mark Hayward, a founding member of the company and co-writer of the play. "We take well-loved tales – in this case stories from history – and give them a contemporary twist, making them accessible for new audiences and showing seasoned fans something that they

perhaps had not seen in them before."

The Pantaloons have picked up plenty of loyal followers and a lot of critical acclaim and have quickly become one of the country's most prolific touring companies – and even they're not entirely sure how and when that happened.

The tranquil setting at Lyveden provides the perfect backdrop for people young and old to enjoy the show, which will include plenty of original live music, puppetry, audience participation and improvisation.

"We're really looking forward to hosting this energetic performance by The Pantaloons," says Claire Barrett, Visitor Operations Manager at Lyveden. "Their previous shows have proved extremely

popular with our visitors and the History of Britain looks set to be another 'must-see' show. It's a great way for families to see history come to life, in a beautiful setting, and hopefully we'll all learn a few historical facts along the way!"

"The show will feature some more serious moments," says Hayward. "There's some quite moving stuff in there that we really wanted to treat with respect. Of course, there is also a rich vein of comedy to mine in the history of Britain and we'll be squeezing out every last drop!"

So pack a picnic, jump in your time machine, bring the whole family and be prepared for the theatrical event of the millennia!

Even more adventurous play at Stanwick Lakes, thanks to Biffa Award!

Biffa Award has given £15,000 to the Rockingham Forest Trust, which manages Stanwick Lakes, for the installation of new swings and sculptures.

The Adventure Trail, with a ropebridge, zip slide and climbing rock, is a popular place for families to explore when they visit Stanwick Lakes. Unfortunately the tyre swings on the Trail have come to the end of their natural life. Now thanks to the grant from Biffa Award, they will soon be replaced with exciting new adventurous

play equipment.

Luke Johns, Senior Ranger at Stanwick Lakes said: "We plan to start work soon, taking down the old tyre swings and installing a new hexagonal swing and climbable animal sculptures. The Ranger team and volunteers will be working hard so the new play equipment can be enjoyed during the summer holidays."

So, when your family visits Stanwick Lakes this summer, make sure you explore the Adventure Trail and try out the exciting new play equipment!

Sacks for summer gardening

Sunshine and rain throughout June mean the flowers have grown like crazy. Unfortunately, it means the weeds have too. If you're sprucing up the garden for summer, take advantage of the East Northamptonshire Council garden waste sack service.

You can fill the 75 litre compostable sacks, which cost £15 for 10, with grass cuttings, hedge trimmings, weeds, dead plants and flowers, prunings and leaves.

Once filled, the council will collect three or more sacks at a time from the usual refuse collection point, within 10 working days of being notified. You will be told of the collection day in advance.

East Northamptonshire Council also offers a fortnightly wheeled bin recycling collection of green waste for £51.50 for a year.

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Warm Rushden welcome for Felixstowe Songsters

On Saturday 12th July Rushden will welcome Felixstowe Songsters choir to the Salvation Army in Church Street.

Felixstowe Salvation Army Choir have been spreading God's Glory for over 100 years through their singing. The choir's primary focus is supporting the worship during Sunday meetings, but they have travelled far and wide

to perform, including Jersey and have even sung at the Royal Albert Hall.

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A near £1 million development on the outskirts of Irthlingborough has transformed a disused piece of land into an area of opportunity for local residents who are looking to lay claim to a home of their own through shared ownership.

The 10 homes located off Finedon Road at 'The Lanterns' have been built by Bloor Homes and Spire Homes to meet growing demand for affordable housing.

"Bringing affordable homes to rural communities is a huge part of what Spire Homes does," said Katy Sagoe, Director of Housing Services at Spire Homes. "We know that house prices can be particularly high in rural communities and having properties for shared ownership helps remove the barrier of saving a huge deposit for buyers."

"We have very strong ties with Irthlingborough and are continuing to seek new opportunities for Spire Homes to support the community and all its residents. This is a good scheme – we're making use of disused land and our continued partnership with Bloor Homes is proving very successful. We hope to build many more schemes with them in the future."

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Christian Aid Week house-to-house collection raises record amount

A record £7,300 was raised this year in Oundle and the surrounding villages during Christian Aid Week in May.

With the addition of Gift Aid, Christian Aid should receive an overall total of £8,295. The charity gives many thanks to all organisers, collectors and contributors for helping to raise this excellent amount.

Christian Aid works in about 50 countries through local partner

organisations, with people of all faiths and none, to relieve poverty, develop sustainable communities and bring emergency relief. The theme of Christian Aid Week this year was 'Fearless', and the amount raised will be used to help communities in many countries to cope with the effects of conflict and to work towards peace and reconciliation – an all-too-pressing need in these troubled times.



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Significant applications

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- 100 dwellings and over
- residential development of 3ha or over if number of dwellings not known
- 1000 square metres of floor space or over
- commercial/industrial development of 1ha or over if floor area not known
- would, in the council's opinion, alter the overall character of the locality by means of scale, use or visual appearance
- would, in the council's opinion, be sensitive due to substantial demolition in a conservation area
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For more information on "significant" planning applications, visit www.eastnorthamptonshire.gov.uk/dcnofication

Chelveston-cum-Caldecott

14/00887/REM (21/06/2014) (Info) Reserved matters: Access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale pursuant to planning permission 10/00820/OUT dated 2.12.11 – Outline: Erection of single storey dwelling with associated parking to replace garages (all matters reserved) at garage block accessed between 11 and 12 Hillside Chelveston

Collyweston

14/00907/FUL and 14/00908/LBC (28/06/2014) (LB/CA) Dismantle and rebuild rear garden wall feature to include new steps at 82 Main Rd Collyweston PE9 3PQ

Higham Ferrers

14/00879/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Change of use of land to residential garden land and erection of wall to front boundary at 2 Owen Way Higham Ferrers NN10 8PB

Kings Cliffe

14/00931/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Part demolish garden wall and replace with gates, driveway to new garaging and erection of walls and gates to newly converted outbuildings at 31 West St Kings Cliffe

14/00933/FUL (28/06/2014) (LB/CA) Change of use from shop and post office to part of existing house at 1 West St Kings Cliffe PE8 6XB

14/00941/FUL (28/06/2014) (LB/CA) Single storey rear extension to dwelling at 3 West St Kings Cliffe PE8 6XB

14/00942/LBC (28/06/2014) (LBRegs) Single storey rear extension; replacement of rooflights; repositioning of staircase; repositioning of first floor bathroom; installation of ground floor WC; installation of satellite dish receiver to rear elevation at 3 West St Kings Cliffe PE8 6XB

Lowick and Slipton

14/00924/LBC (28/06/2014) (LBRegs) Erect new stud partitions on first floor level to subdivide large bedroom and create two smaller bedrooms at 3 Robbs Lane Lowick NN14 3BE

Oundle

14/00857/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Demolition of a single storey plant room, the construction of a new two storey extension to the existing building on the west elevation and the construction of a single storey building to be used as a plant room attached to the east elevation. Replacement windows throughout and re-covering of the existing roof as per existing at Fletton House Glapthorn Rd Oundle

14/00861/FUL (28/06/2014) (LB/CA) Construction of 2 no. new synthetic turf pitches with associated features including extended user access arrangements, perimeter fencing and lighting at land off Pavilion Drive Oundle

14/00875/OUT (28/06/2014) (LB/CA)(Art8) Erection of new sports centre with associated parking, access works, demolition of existing swimming pool, demolition of existing dwellings and replacement with tennis courts, relocation of running track, resurfacing of existing sports courts and associated works at Sports Hall Milton Rd Oundle PE8 4AB

14/00922/LBC (28/06/2014) (LB/CA) Roof strengthening – insert box beam in roof space at 10 Mill Rd Oundle PE8 4BW

Raunds

14/00784/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Retrospective: Erection of replacement garage with solar panels at 35 Chelveston Rd Raunds NN9 6DA

14/00856/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Single storey extension to front, single storey extension to rear and first floor extension to side over existing garage at 3 Mallows Drive Raunds NN9 6SE

14/00881/VAR (28/06/2014) (Art8) Variation of condition 12 – travel plans pursuant to planning permission 11/00700/OUT Outline:

Demolition of existing buildings, development of employment park including A3/4/5, B1b and c, B8, C1, D1 and D2 uses together with access, parking areas and open space (all matters reserved except for access) at Phase 2 Warth Park Way Raunds

14/00962/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Erection of six dwellings (part re-application of planning approval 11/00573/FUL); new access; highway works to junction of Brook St; part demolition of No 43 Brook St at 45 Brook Street Raunds

Ringstead

14/00956/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Detached five bedroom dwelling with associated drive/pavement crossing at 21 Denford Rd, Ringstead NN14 4DF

Rushden

14/00826/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Proposed enabling works – new vehicle access, maintenance track and extended parking area, fencing and gates, ball wash enclosure, one new and one relocated storage containers, temporary toilet facility and tree planting at Golf Driving Range John White Golf Club Bedford Rd Rushden

14/00886/OUT (21/06/2014) (Info) Outline: Residential development of three dwellings including demolition of garage and proposed access drive (all matters reserved except access and scale) at 65 Northampton Rd Rushden NN10 6AJ

14/00963/VAR (21/06/2014) (Info) Variation of condition 3: Amend operating hours of canopy to between 07:00–22:00 and removal of condition 5: Switching off reversing alarms on the application site, pursuant to planning permission 13/02199/FUL – Alterations to the service yard and construction of a Home Shopping pod within the existing building with external ramps, steps, walkway, walkway canopy and van loading canopy at 161 High St Rushden NN10 0PA

Stanwick

14/00978/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Erection of a two storey side extension at 2 John Eagle Close Stanwick NN9 6AZ

14/00690/LBC (28/06/2014) (LBRegs) External and internal alterations to form: two retail units; one office unit; nine dwellings. Demolition of some outbuildings, provision of bin and bike stores, new access and associated parking (Works as specified in Schedule of Works) at 71–75 High Street Thrapston

14/00691/FUL (28/06/2014) (LB/CA) Alterations and conversions to form: two retail units; one office unit; nine dwellings. Demolition of some outbuildings, provision of bin and bike stores, new access and associated parking (part retrospective) at 71–75 High Street Thrapston

14/00810/VAR (21/06/2014) (Info) Variation of condition 22 – refer to phase 2 rather than phase 3, condition 23 remove acoustic requirements

covered by other conditions and condition 38 remove drawings and replace as specified in application letter pursuant to planning permission EN/12/01741/FUL dated 16.11.11 Construction of 156 dwellings with associated roads including site re-grading and landscaping at Old Station House Midland Rd Thrapston NN14 4JS

14/00830/OUT (21/06/2014) (Info) Outline application: demolition of existing buildings and construction of five detached two storey dwellings (all matters reserved except access) at 162 Oundle Rd Thrapston

Thurning

14/00897/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Proposed barn style permanent dwelling (to replace temporary dwelling approved under planning permission EN/10/01392/FUL) re-submission of application 14/00028/FUL at Tandee Nurseries Barnwell Rd Thurning PE8 5RH

Titchmarsh

14/00967/FUL (28/06/2014) (LB/CA) Change of use from business to residential at Fellowship House 23–25 Chapel St Titchmarsh NN14 3DA

Warmington

14/00836/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Demolition of outbuildings and construction of single storey dwelling. New vehicle access from Church Lane to existing dwelling and construction of tandem garage for existing dwelling at 9 Church Lane Warmington PE8 6TB

Woodford

14/00883/FUL (28/06/2014) (LB/CA) Erection of two detached dwellings (re-submission of 11/01483/FUL) at land rear of Carriage House Club Lane Woodford

Yarwell

14/00916/FUL (21/06/2014) (Info) Erection of two houses at 9 Sulehay Road Yarwell PE8 6PW

The reason for applications being advertised is as follows:

Art8 – Town and Country Planning (General Development Procedure) Order 1995.

Info – Non-statutory – included for information only.

LB/CA – Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas Act 1990.

LBRegs – Planning (Listed Buildings and Conservation Areas) Regulations 1990.

David Reed
Head of Planning Services

Dated 7 June 2014

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Fire Service prosecution for hoax caller

A serial hoax caller has been sentenced following a prosecution by Northamptonshire County Council's Fire and Rescue Service.

At Northampton Magistrates Court Rizwan Ahmed Bashir, of Abbots Way, Northampton, received three concurrent six-month custodial sentences, suspended for two years, plus a 12-month supervision order and £580 in costs.

The court heard recordings of the calls made by Bashir, who had

continually contacted the Fire and Rescue Service insisting that he was reporting genuine emergencies.

The conviction sends a strong message that this kind of behaviour is not acceptable and that Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service will not hesitate to take action against hoax callers.

Chief Fire Officer, Martyn Emberson said: "Northamptonshire Fire and Rescue Service takes this type of activity very seriously and I am

extremely pleased that we have been able to successfully prosecute this prolific hoax caller. Making hoax calls is simply not acceptable.

It means that fire crews and other resources are diverted from where they are really needed, such as at road traffic collisions or genuine fires. This not only puts people's lives at risk but wastes both time and money."

Councillor André González De Savage, County Council Cabinet Member for Strategic

Infrastructure, Economic Growth and Public Protection said: "Hoax callers are extremely irresponsible and this

behaviour will not be tolerated. Modern technology means we can trace every call. We can have a phone cut off where

we can prove it's been used for a hoax and, as has happened in this case, we can refer to the police for a prosecution."

Nine open gardens to welcome visitors in Harringworth

Harringworth is a pretty conservation village on the border between Rutland and Northamptonshire, with the Viaduct providing an excellent landmark as you approach.

There will be 9 gardens open from 2-5pm on Sunday 13th July, offering visitors the opportunity

to see a variety of styles and plant collections, with many of the gardens boasting amazing views of the local area. Afternoon tea will be available in the Village Hall from 2.30-5pm with homemade cakes and cream teas.

Tickets and a map for the Open Gardens will be on sale at the Village Hall.

Cost of entry: £3 per adult, accompanied children under 16 free. Proceeds from the entrance fee and afternoon teas go towards the Harringworth Appeals Fund.

For further information about these Open Gardens and others in the area visit: <http://www.opengardens.co.uk>

Splash Leisure Pool to benefit from £330k refurbishment

The Splash Leisure Pool in Rushden is set to benefit from some improvements by East Northamptonshire Council.

The £330k project will include the replacement of essential mechanical equipment, to enable the pool to remain open for future use, new lockers and improved changing areas and showers.

To accommodate the improvement works, Splash will temporarily close from 27th July 2014 for approximately eight weeks. Customers are encouraged to use the pool at the Nene Centre in Thrapston and enjoy summer activities at the Pemberton Centre in

Rushden. East Northamptonshire Council's appointed observer to the Aspirations Wellbeing board, Cllr Glenvil Greenwood-Smith, says:

"We appreciate the inconvenience of changes to term-time swimming lessons for swimmers and parents so that is why the pool will temporarily close during the summer holidays, which are usually a more flexible time for sporting activities."

Peter Williams, Chief Executive of Aspirations Wellbeing which manages the facility, adds:

"The Splash Leisure Pool is a great venue with very loyal customers and

this refurbishment will provide them with much improved facilities.

"We'd like to thank the public in advance for their patience during the closure period and hope that the added benefits of the refurbishment work as well as the summer activities available at our other two sites will make up for the closure."

Keep informed of the progress of the works through the media, on the Aspirations Wellbeing and East Northamptonshire Council websites and on Facebook and Twitter."

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There will be an intensive swimming course for ages 4+, a rookie lifeguard course for ages 8–12, water polo, diving and inflatable sessions, as well as a National Pool Lifeguard Course with AED First Aid at Work Certification.

Private swimming lessons will also be available throughout the summer holidays:

one-to-one lessons £14/half hour, one-to-two lessons £22/half hour.

To book, call 01832 277208/277195 or email sportscentre@oundleschool.org.uk

Information about Oundle School Swimming Pool's holiday activities and lessons can also be found by visiting www.oundleschoolenterprises.org.uk

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To book or for more information call 01785 711572 or visit www.activatesport.co.uk

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To book call 01604 599116 or visit www.northampton saints.co.uk/camps



Summer pleasures

By Catherine Burbage

One of summer's pleasures is picking a deliciously ripe, homegrown strawberry and eating it while it's still warm from the sun. Unfortunately, the slugs in my garden agree, so when we'd finished fighting over the few strawberries which had remained unscathed, the children suggested we bought some from a shop like normal people.

As we have some great, local strawberry producers who grow more varieties than the ubiquitous Elsanta, we went to Luton (near Oundle) and bought them direct from the farm.

It's surprising how many strawberries we can get through just with good cream, but as the season wears on there are some which eventually remain unappealing at the back of the fridge. Similar to bananas, it is worth freezing strawberries if they're starting to go past their best and then use them in cooking. Smoothies make a fast breakfast by just whizzing together some milk, yogurt, strawberries, maybe a raw egg and a shake of cinnamon or a mint leaf; or put yogurt, whipped cream and frozen fruit in a food processor to make instant ice cream.

This recipe would make a refreshing, simple end to a barbecue and is ideal for using up strawberries which are going soft in places. If you prefer not to use alcohol, try a berry flavoured drink in place of the wine.

Gently heat the wine, sugar, cordial, orange zest and juice, star anise and pink peppercorns until the sugar is dissolved. Leave to cool and flavours to infuse.

Sieve the liquid (to remove orange zest etc.) into a blender and add 200g of hulled and chopped strawberries. Blend until smooth. A froth might form on top – if you don't like the look of it, allow the liquid to settle and skim off froth with a slotted spoon. Taste the liquid and add more sugar or liquid as you fancy (a drop of Pimm's might be nice in this as well!).

Prepare the remaining strawberries and chop into small pieces. Divide evenly between 4 individual serving dishes, pour the liquid over the top and finish with a generous spoonful of whipped cream.

For more information on this recipe have a look at my blog: www.nenevalleyfood.com

I'm a busy home cook who thinks it's really worth making a little extra effort so that myself and those I cook for can eat for joy, pleasure and lasting health every day. If you're a local food producer, have a cooking conundrum or need a bit of inspiration for a particular ingredient or occasion, do get in touch with me and I might be able to feature you in this column. Email: nenevalleyfood@btinternet.com Twitter @nenevalleyfood

For Luton farm shop opening times, location and prices: www.lutonfarm.com



Strawberry Soup

STRAWBERRY ISLANDS

Serves 4

½ bottle of rosé wine

25g of sugar

2 tbsp of elderflower (or similar) cordial – undiluted

Grated zest of one orange

Juice of one orange

400g strawberries

If you like: star anise and a few pink peppercorns

Whipped cream

My day in East Northants

Name: Cllr Gill Mercer

Organisation: East Northamptonshire Council

Job title: Chairman of East Northamptonshire Council

• **How long have you lived and worked in East Northamptonshire?**
38 years

• **How would you describe a typical day?**

I work for myself running a business, so I do spend some time on this each day. As Chairman, the day varies tremendously. For instance, recently I presented awards at Huxlow School for the Saving Lives on the Nene competition and after that I went on a tour of RAF Alconbury.

• **What do you enjoy most about working in East Northamptonshire?**

Being so close to the countryside. I come from Romford which was all built up, so I love all the green space and opportunities to enjoy the outdoors.

• **What is your favourite place to visit in the district?**

Stanwick Lakes – great walks, beautiful views and wildlife and the café does excellent cakes. I'm going to use this opportunity to plug www.nenevalley.net for places to visit, eat, drink and sleep. It's a useful site for visitors and locals.

• **What does East Northamptonshire mean to you?**

Friendly communities, pretty villages and bustling towns and beautiful countryside.

• **Is there anything which would improve your life in the district?**

A railway station in East Northamptonshire would be great for bringing more people into the district.

• **What is your favourite food and drink?**

I love fresh salmon and you can't beat a good cup of tea.

If you would like to feature in My day in East Northants please contact the editorial department on 01522 513515 or email news@nenevalleynews.co.uk



Cllr Gill Mercer

From the Chairman

It was a privilege and an honour to attend the Queen's Garden Party in June. The whole day was a wonderful experience, particularly the gardens which are beautiful and we were astounded that such greenery is so close to the traffic outside, yet so private and quiet.

We were also honoured to join the D Day commemoration in Northampton. It was good to pay our respects to those who fought for our freedom.

I was equally impressed with the RAF base at Alconbury, which laid on a tour for civic heads. The American forces are an important part of the community – they contribute millions to the economy of the area with sub-contracts etc. and use their fire fighting skills to help out when necessary if there are crashes on the A14.

A trip to Ringstead with the winners of the Saving Lives on the Nene competition was great fun and was another opportunity to congratulate the young people who created such stunning designs. We hope that this initiative will make people think twice about tampering with lifebelts which are provided at dangerous places on the river.

Rowell Fair was a special occasion, both for the 6am start and also because it was the hand over from Bob Denton, who had been bailiff for 35 years, to Alan Mills. The new bailiff, astride a magnificent horse, shared the reading of the proclamation at 11 pubs in the town. As the procession moved off, the halberdiers tussled for the staves to get the right to hold one the following year. It was also the 400th anniversary of the Maunsell family being at Rothwell Manor

and 810 years since the town was given charter status.

It was also a new era for the Lord Lieutenant, the Queen's representative in Northamptonshire. Lady Juliet Townsend is retiring and Andy and I attended a garden party to mark this. Several hundred people climbed an ancient scaffold to have a celebratory photo taken. We were really glad that it took the weight of so many people!

I'm looking forward to the next few weeks with events to celebrate our forces. We will see RAF Alconbury get the Freedom of the Town in St Neots. There will be a parade of the Queens' Royal Lancers in Northampton, a band concert in St Neots for Armed Forces Day and a flag raising ceremony in Huntingdon. I will also be attending awards ceremonies at Moulton College and the University of Northampton. I'll tell you all about it in my next column.

ENC Chairman, Cllr Gill Mercer



ENC Chairman, Cllr Gill Mercer attended the Queen's Garden Party as a representative of East Northamptonshire

New monthly farmers' market in Thrapston starts 6th September

Saturday 6th September will see the launch of a brand new monthly farmers' market, hosted in the small market town of Thrapston, East Northamptonshire. The market will run every first Saturday of each month and will be held along the High Street in the heart of the town. The market will run from 9am to 1pm.

The market will feature a range of stalls selling locally grown, reared and produced food and drink – all within as small a radius of Thrapston as possible. It will be a true farmers' market, aiming to meet the requirements of FARMA, which is the regulating body for farmers' markets in the UK. Sellers will have to be from the local area, as close to Thrapston as possible. They must be growing, producing or rearing the food and drink themselves – not 'buying it in'.

Products which have been made, like baked goods, meals and drinks, must use as many locally sourced ingredients as possible. This way, the shopper knows that the goods they are buying are truly local.

Thrapston Farmers' Market is being set up and run by a small, experienced team in Thrapston. The team is passionate about supporting small producers from the surrounding area and offering the local community a chance to buy fresh, local food straight from the person who grew it, reared or made it. A key aim is to create a lively community event every month, bringing everyone together in Thrapston town centre.

As this is a community-led market, all funds raised by the farmers' market will go back into promoting the event and supporting Thrapston town centre. Retailers and business owners themselves will be able to decide how they

want profits to be spent. It might be in the form of new street furniture, plantings around the town, new signage or town promotions.

Charlotte Croser, chair of the organising committee and owner of Jollys Toys says: "Thrapston Farmers' Market is being run by a community group, for the community – those who live in and around the town, and those who work and run businesses here in Thrapston. We want the market to attract new shoppers to our town centre, which has a lot to offer in the way of independent shops, cafes and service offerings. It is important to the organising team that the market celebrates local food and drink and promotes new start-ups, but at the same time it complements and enhances what Thrapston offers every day of the week."

The organising team is hard at work sourcing local producers and has already confirmed a dozen fantastic stalls selling delicious products which are new to the market and right on the doorstep. The team is keen for Thrapston Farmers' Market to have an identity of its own, and for it to introduce new and exciting products to taste, buy and enjoy.

The Thrapston Farmers' Market organising team is still keen to hear from local producers, so if you have something special to offer please get in touch with the organising team by emailing: thrapstonfarmersmarket@inbox.com or calling 01832 358915.

Visit the website at www.thrapstonfarmersmarket.moonfruit.com



Help to put children in touch with nature

The Wildlife Trust for Bedfordshire, Cambridgeshire and Northamptonshire is looking for enthusiastic and passionate individuals to deliver exciting and inspiring activities for pre-school aged children and their parents.

Irthlingborough Little Bugs Club was set up last year in partnership with the Irthlingborough Sure Start Children's Centre and they are looking for more volunteer leaders to help run these fun and friendly monthly sessions.

Little Bugs Club is part of the Wildlife Watch movement, which is the junior branch of the Wildlife Trust and one of the UK's leading clubs for young environmentalists. Sessions give pre-school children the opportunity to explore their natural

surroundings and have their first experiences with wildlife that is right on their doorstep.

Louise Tuffin, Nene Valley Education and Community Manager at the Wildlife Trust said: "The sessions focus on all aspects of UK wildlife and past activities have included bug hunting, pond dipping, arts and crafts, songs and storytelling.

"To be a leader you need an interest and enthusiasm for wildlife and working with children, though you don't need to be a wildlife expert!"

Little Bugs Club takes place on the first Monday of each month at Irthlingborough Library between 1.30pm–3pm.

For more information contact Louise Tuffin on 01604 774043, email louise.tuffin@wildlifebcn.org or visit www.wildlifebcn.org



Little Bugs Club

Medieval Day



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Time Trail – Twywell

Places of worship and their burial grounds often provide a good source of local and family history.

A few country churches also have connections with people of national importance. The 12th century St Nicholas Church in the small village of Twywell is one such church.

It has remains of Roman, Saxon, Norman and medieval architecture and artefacts; for instance Norman doorways, windows and font and a 13th century Easter Sepulchre.

In the churchyard is a headstone to Lewis Warren, who was killed at Slipton iron ore pits in 1881. He was 22 years old and his fellow workers erected the headstone in his memory. Iron ore had been extracted and smelted by the Romans but large-scale workings in this area date from the mid-19th century.

However, it is other events in the 19th century that are perhaps the most interesting in the long history of St Nicholas Church. In 1874

Horace Waller became Rector of Twywell. He was an anti-slavery activist, writer and as a member of the Universities' Mission to Central Africa had worked as a missionary.

He became a friend of the missionary and explorer Dr David Livingstone. After completing his medical training Livingstone went to Africa where he worked for over 30 years. His most famous exploration was to trace the source of the River Nile. When he died in 1873 his assistants Abdullah Susi and James Chuma, a former slave, were determined that he should be buried in England. They embalmed his body and wrapped it in bark.

After a hazardous 800-mile journey taking many months, they brought his body back to London. They also brought his journals to Rev Waller and he compiled and edited them.

The beautifully carved choir stalls in St Nicholas Church, installed as a memorial to Rev Waller, depict slaves being freed and African animals.

The Rev Waller was also a friend of General Gordon, often referred to as Gordon of Khartoum. The General served in the Crimea, China and the Sudan and mapped the Upper Nile.

Like Waller and Livingstone he was against slavery. The Bodleian Library, Oxford has numerous letters from him to Rev Waller. The General presented three stones from Calvary to St Nicholas Church and the church organ was dedicated to him.

My thanks to John Evans, Churchwarden for his help in writing this article.

By Janice Morris



St Nicholas Church, Twywell

If you would like to submit an article for our Time Trail feature please email news@nenevalleynews.co.uk

Walk of Remembrance planned for Irthlingborough's Great War soldiers

The Irthlingborough War Memorial and the Memorial in St Peter's Church record the names of 151 men of this small town who made the supreme sacrifice in the First World War.

Between 2004 and 2008 members of the Historical Society successfully researched the story of each man and also collected photographs of the majority of them. This information is recorded in a leather-bound volume, which is perpetually on display in St Peter's Church.

As a tribute to those men, the Society will create a Walk of Remembrance along Irthlingborough High Street, around the Cross and up Finedon Road by displaying a small photographic memorial to each man. The memorials will be displayed in

the windows of houses, shops and businesses, on the railings around Parsons Green and on trees leading to the War Memorial. They will be on display from Friday 18th July to Sunday 3rd August.

On Saturday 19th July from 10am to 2pm and Sunday 20th July from noon to 4pm the Society will be staging in St Peter's Church an exhibition '.... and then they were gone!' The archive photographs will follow the route from the Cross to the station taken by the first contingent of men who marched off from Irthlingborough to the Front on 6th August, 1914.

The exhibition will also be shown on Parsons Green on Saturday 2nd August as part of the Town Commemoration which is being led by Irthlingborough Town Council.

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**Saturday 5th July
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Trip**

Lichfield
8.30am returning at 4.30pm
£18
Contact: Rachel Henderson
01933 461545
Coach trip to Lichfield,
departing from Raunds
Square, also picking up at
Stanwick Village Hall.

**St Peter's Church Open
Afternoon**

St Peter's Church, Raunds
2pm–4pm
No fee, donations
appreciated.
Contact: Mrs Chantrell
01933 389457
Beautiful church, come and
see the medieval paintings
and beautiful architecture.
All donations greatly
appreciated.

**Saturday 5th &
Sunday 6th July
300 Years' History in
Flowers**

Ringstead Shared Church
Saturday 10am–6pm,
Sunday 12noon–6pm
No admission fee but
donations
Contact: Angela Davis rsr@angeladavis.net or 01933 622316
Celebrating Ringstead
Baptist Church's 300th
anniversary. Drinks, cakes,
slides of old Ringstead.
History for sale.

**Sunday 6th July
Morning Worship**

Whitefriars Church at
Whitefriars Junior School,
Boughton Drive, Rushden
10.15am
Free
Contact: Philip Evans 01933 316834
An informal church service
to which everyone is
welcome.

Clay Shoot

Off Kirby Hall Lane
2pm
Free admission, £5 per
round.
Contact: Robert 01780 450100 or Rod 01780 450270
Clay Shoot, 30 bird sporting
shoot plus a Have-a-Go
stand. Refreshments
available.

**Praise in the Park – an
open air church service
for everyone**

The Walled Garden, Hall
Park, Rushden
3pm
Free
Contact: Andrew Presland
01933 316927
Organised by Rushden &
Higham Ferrers Council of
Churches as part of Get to
Know Rushden.

Youth Brass 2000

Oundle School Chapel
4pm
Tickets: £10 Adults/£5 U18s
BBC Radio 2 Youth Band of
the Year and National Youth
Brass Band Championship
Winners of Great Britain.

**Priest's House Summer
Exhibition**

Priest's House, West Street,
Easton on the Hill
2pm–4.30pm
Free. Donations welcome.
Contact: Paul Way 01780 762619
Exhibition of British Railway
posters painted by local
artist Victor Millington in a
1950s style.

**Sunday 6th &
Wednesday 9th July
Get To Know Rushden
Week**

Rushden Transport
Museum, The Railway
Station, Station Approach,
Rushden, Northants NN10 0AW
Sunday from 11am
www.rhts.co.uk 01933 353111
Learn about what's involved
in running the railway in
Rushden.

**Monday 7th July
Nature Tots – 'How does
your garden grow?'**

Barnwell Country Park
Visitors Centre
10am–11.30am
£3.50 per child includes
Nature walk, craft activities
and refreshments. £2.60
parking charge applies
Pre-booking essential on
01832 273435. Places limited.
Bring along your tots to this
Oundle Food Festival
Nature Tots' Special to learn
all about how plants grow
and a chance to plant some
seeds of their own to take
home.

Bingo Night

The Snooks, Raunds
8pm
Free entry, bingo cards £1
each
Bingo night to raise money
for the annual carnival.

**Tuesday 8th July
Tea Dance**

Pemberton Centre, Rushden
2pm–4.15pm.
£3 Includes Tea/Coffee and
cakes.
Tel. 01933 356552
Ballroom/Sequence dancing.
Proceeds to charity.

**Wednesday 9th July
Teddy Bear's Picnic**

Barnwell Country Park
11.30am–2.30pm
£2.60 parking charge
Tel: 01832 273435 for further
details. No need to book.
Bring your Teddy and join us
for a Teddy Bear's Picnic
with lots of fun and games
including teddy bear den
building, craft activities and
storytelling.

**Gaia Duo Flora Curzon
and Pietr Jordan violin
twilight recital**

Yarrow Gallery, Oundle
8pm
£10 adult/£5 U18s
Tel: 01832 274734 or
www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Music from the baroque to
the present day, from
classical to folk.

**Get to Know Rushden
Week**

Rushden Windmill Club,
Glassbrook Road Rushden
2.30pm–4.30pm
Free event.
West Community
Association invite you to a
singalong by Two's Company
(live singing duo) with tea
and homemade cakes served.

**Thursday 10th July
Film: 20 Feet from
Stardom,**

Stahl Theatre
7.45pm
Tickets: £5 Adults/£3 U18s
Oscar-winning best
documentary feature on a
career behind some of the
greatest musical legends of
the 21st century.

**Talk on the WW1
Women Poets**

Rushden Library
2pm–3pm
Free
SWaters@northamptonshire.gov.uk
WW1 poetry from a
woman's perspective – a talk
with poetry readers.

Discovery Walks

White Swan, Harringworth
2pm
£1.50, no need to book.
Tel: 01780 782747
www.weanorthamptonshire.org
Exploring Northamptonshire
– Harringworth and Shotley,
4 miles.

War and Peace concert

St Mary's Church,
Warmington
7.30pm
£7.50 (includes wine/soft
drink)
Contact: Jean Fisher 01832 280401
Just Friends ladies and Corby
Male Voice Choir plus
instrumental guest artists
commemorate WW1 and
beyond.

**Friday 11th July
Trumpeter Alison Balsom
and organist David Goode
and the Festival Chorus**

Oundle School Chapel
7.30pm
£20 front/£18 rear/£5 U18s
Tel: 01832 274734 or
www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Two outstanding concerts
combined into one evening.

**'Cross-country' Golf
Competition**

Oundle Golf Club, Benefield
Road, PE8 4EZ
Tee off anytime between 2pm
and 6pm
£3 for OGC members; £5 for
non-members
Contact: Richard Keys, Golf
Professional 01832 273267 or
proshop@oundlegolfclub.com
Unique competition – play 4
holes, but cover the whole
course. Open to all – just turn
up.

**Saturday 12th July
Rushden's Party in the Park**

Rushden Hall
1pm–10pm
Free; £1 for parking
Tel: 01933 313362
Bands, acrobats, motorcycle
display team, Zumba, stalls,
Madness tribute band,
wrestling, games, train rides.

**Party at the Wharf with the
Ben Smith Band, Heroes
and Cons and the
Steradents**

Station Road, Oundle
Gates open at 5pm
£15 adult/£10 U18s if booked in
advance. U12s Free but please
book. £20 adult/£15 U18s on
the door. Canopy site £20 – site
only.
Tel: 01832 274734 or
www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Pack a picnic for a night of
great entertainment down at
the Wharf.

Hawaiian Garden Fete

Darsdale Home, Chelveston
Rd, Raunds
From 1.30pm–4.30pm
Free Admission
Funfair, stalls, BBQ, crafts,
cream teas, music, cocktail bar
and more.

**Visit of Felixstowe Salvation
Army Songster Brigade
(Choir)**

The Salvation Army, Church
Street, Rushden
7pm
£5
Contact: Gill Valentine 01933 353528
Festival of music by talented
musicians from Suffolk.

Magical Moths

Irthlingborough Lakes and
Meadows, Randall Close
entrance
10am–12noon
Free
Contact: Claire Wylde 01604 405285 claire.wylde@wildlifebcn.org
Join the Wildlife Trust for a
rare opportunity to see these
fascinating night flyers during
the day time. No booking
required.

**Saturday 12th July &
Sunday 13th July
Survive at Stanwick**

Stanwick Lakes
11am on 12th to noon on
13th.
£30 per person (to include
food and drink). For children
aged 8 and over. Each child
must be accompanied by an
adult. Normal car park
charges apply.
Tel: 01933 625522; info@rftrust.org.uk; www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Camp overnight with the
Stanwick Lakes Rangers and
learn basic survival skills.

**Sunday 13th July
Archaeology Allsorts at
Stanwick Lakes**

Stanwick Lakes Rangers'
Cabin
11am–4pm
Free – Normal car park
charges apply
Tel: 01933 625522;
info@rftrust.org.uk; www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Join Higham ferrers
Archaeological Society for
hands on activities including
reconstructing Medieval
potsherds.

Dallying in the Alleys

A countryside walk in
Rushden
Outside Rushden Hall, in
Hall Park
10.15am
Free
Contact: Andrew Presland
01933 316927
A walk of about two miles,
organised by Whitefriars
Church, but all are welcome.

Aronowitz Ensemble

Oundle School Chapel
7pm
£15 adult/£5 U18s
Tel: 01832 274734 or
www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Seven outstanding young
international artists perform
chamber music as a string
sextet and piano.

**The Looking Glass
Theatre and their**

production of Jungle Book
The Amphitheatre at
Brigstock Latham C of E
Primary School (or School
Hall if the weather is
inclement)
3pm
Admission fee £5
Tickets £5 from the Village
Post Office or 01536 373191
or 01536 373598
Feel free to bring a picnic,
drinks & snacks will also be
available.

**Priest's House Summer
Exhibition**

Priest's House, West Street,
Easton on the Hill
2pm–4.30pm
Free. Donations welcome.
Contact: Paul Way 01780 762619
Exhibition of British Railway
posters painted by local artist
Victor Millington in a 1950s
style.

Archaeology Allsorts

Rangers Cabin, Stanwick
Lakes
11am–4pm
Free, but car parking charges
apply.
Archaeological displays, finds
identification, children's
activities.

**Monday 14th July
Oundle U3A Monthly
Meeting**

Victoria Hall
2.15pm–4pm
Members £1
Contact: Judith Finn
Helen Dawkins 'The History
of Photography and Care of
Your Collection.'

**Ann Elise Smoot's Organ
Recital**

Oundle School Chapel
12noon
£6 (Buy tickets to 3 or more
lunchtime recitals for only £5
each)
Tel: 01832 274734 or
www.oundlefestival.org.uk
The new director of Oundle
for Organists, Ann Elise
Smoot, begins the lunchtime
recital series.

**Lunchtime Recital with
Bartosz Glowacki
(accordion) and Rob Luft
(jazz guitar)**

St Peter's Church, Oundle
1.30pm
£6 (Buy tickets to 3 or more
lunchtime recitals for only £5
each)
Tel: 01832 274734 or
www.oundlefestival.org.uk
An instrumental duo perform
Astor Piazzolla's tango music,
amongst other classics.

**Organ Recital with Anne
Page**

Oundle School Chapel
5pm
£10 (combine with a ticket for
The General for only £20 for
both)
Tel: 01832 274734 or
www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Anne Page's colourful
programme includes French
and German music.

**Silent Film: The General
with Richard Hills' organ
improvisation**

Peterborough Cathedral
9pm
£15 adult/£5 U18s (combine
with a ticket for Anne Page
Organ Recital for only £20 for
both)
Tel: 01832 274734 or
www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Buster Keaton's silent comedy
film classic is brought to life by
organ virtuoso Richard Hills.

Tuesday 15th July

Lunchtime Piano Recital with Irena Radic

St Peter's Church, Oundle 1.30pm
£6 (buy tickets to 3 or more lunchtime recitals for only £5 each)
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
The programme demonstrates the pianist's brilliance and technical range.

Romeo and Juliet from the Lord Chamberlain's Men

The Wharf, Station Road, Oundle 7pm
£33 Family ticket (2 adults/2 children)/£14 adult/£10 concession/£5 U18s
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
A brand new, action-packed outdoor production of the world's greatest love story.

Twilight Harpsichord Recital with Robert Woolley

St Peter's Church, Oundle 8pm
£10 adult/£5 U18s
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
One of Europe's leading harpsichord performers, Robert Woolley, performs at the Oundle International Festival.

Wednesday 16th July

Lunchtime Recital with Mina Middleton on flute, Emma Bain on horn and Alec Hone on piano

St Peter's Church, Oundle 1.30pm
£6 (Buy tickets to 3 or more lunchtime recitals for only £5 each)
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
An inventive pairing, Mina and Emma perform a varied programme from the baroque to the contemporary.

Bach Walk with Choir of King's College, London

Stoke Doyle/Pilton 6pm
£29 walk, supper and concert. £16 walk and concert. £14 concert only. £7 U18s (plus £13 supper)
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Walk with the singers of Choir of King's College, London who will sing in two local churches.

Monthly Meeting with talk and refreshments

The Pemberton Centre, HE Bates Way, Rushden 2pm
www.highamandrushdenu3a.org or Tel. 07583 337193
M.A.F. 'Flying for Life' Ron Sivers.

Thursday 17th July

Lunchtime Organ Recital with Iain Quinn

Oundle School Chapel 1.30pm
£6 (buy tickets to 3 or more lunchtime recitals for only £5 each)
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
A musical journey from renaissance Italy to contemporary Australia.

All-night Vigil with the Choir of King's College, London

Oundle School Chapel 8pm
£12 adult/£5 U18s
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Rachmaninov's evocative All-night Vigil – usually known as the Vespers.

Friday 18th July

Talk on the WW1 Women Poets

Raunds Library 2.30pm–3.30pm
Free
swaters@northamptonshire.gov.uk
WW1 poetry from a woman's perspective – a talk with poetry readers.

Lunchtime Recital with Auriol Evans on cello and Christine Zerafa on piano

St Peter's Church, Oundle 1.30pm
£6 (buy tickets to 3 or more lunchtime recitals for only £5 each)
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
This rising duo present a programme from Schumann to Tchaikovsky to Boccherini.

Calefax Reed Quintet and mezzo soprano Cora Burggraaf

Stahl Theatre 7.30pm
£15 adult/£5 U18s
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Calefax Reed Quintet recreate the gaiety of the Roaring Twenties with Gershwin and Weill's music.

Evensong with Choir of King's College, London and organ recital with Henry Fairs

Peterborough Cathedral 5.30pm
Free
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
A quintessentially English summer's evening with the Choir singing Evensong followed by Henry Fairs' Organ Recital.

Saturday 19th July

Film: Frozen

Stahl Theatre 10am
£5 adult/£3 U18s
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
The coolest comedy-adventure to hit the big screen.

St Peter's Summer Fair – A Day at the Seaside

St Peter's Church, Irthlingborough 10am–2pm
Bouncy Castle, Punch & Judy, Up the Tower, BBQ, raffle, bottle stall & so much more!

Lunchtime Organ Recital with Stephen Farr

Oundle School Chapel 12noon
£6 (buy tickets to 3 or more lunchtime recitals for only £5 each)
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
An intriguing programme featuring music of the Baroque and Renaissance to the present day.

Early Opera Company present Handel's Acis and Galatea

Oundle School Chapel 7.30pm
£18 front/£16 rear/£5 U18s
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
The story of doomed love between shepherd Acis and the sea-nymph Galatea.

Sing-a-long-a Dirty Dancing

Stahl Theatre 7.45pm
£15
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Brand new interactive screening of the classic hit film.

Saturday 19th & Sunday 20th July

Ringstead Open Gardens

Programme available from Ringstead Social Club, 12 High Street, Ringstead, Northants NN14 4DA
1pm–6pm
£3.50 per adult (accompanied children free)
Contact: Roger Dormer 01933 625350
14 gardens open in the delightful village of Ringstead. Proceeds towards new church facilities.

Teddy Bears Picnic

Rushden Transport Museum, The Railway Station, Station Approach, Rushden, Northants NN10 0AW
Trains from 11am–4pm
Adults £4 Children & OAPs £2
www.rhts.co.uk 01933 353111
Bring your favourite bear along for a ride on the train.

Sunday 20th July Morning Worship with Holy Communion

Whitefriars Church at Whitefriars Junior School, Boughton Drive, Rushden 10.15am
Free
Contact: Philip Evans 01933 316834
An informal church service to which everyone is welcome.

Young Organists' Presentation Recital

Oundle School Chapel 2.30pm
Free
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Students on the Oundle for Organists Summer School showcase their repertoire.

Priest's House Summer Exhibition

Priest's House, West Street, Easton on the Hill 2pm–4.30pm
Free. Donations welcome.
Contact: Paul Way 01780 762619
Exhibition of British Railway posters painted by local artist Victor Millington in a 1950s style.

Illyria present George's Marvellous Medicine

The Wharf, Station Road, Oundle 3pm
Family ticket £33 (2 adults/2 children). £14 adult/£5 U18s.
Canopy site £10 – site only
Tel: 01832 274734 or www.oundlefestival.org.uk
Roald Dahl classic of larger-than-life characters, plenty to join in with and a twist of malicious fun!

Village Organ Recital

All Saints Church Elton 3pm
£5
Contact: Chris Milton (Church Warden) at 01832 280415 or email milton_chris_j@btinternet.com
Organist Jonathan Lilley, Director of Music Waltham Abbey Church.

Second Monday of the month

Craftie Ladies Craft Club

Salvation Army Hall, Irthlingborough 7.30pm–9.30pm
Contact: Jean Hilton 01933 651563
Come along to our friendly evenings and enjoy our workshops or do your own crafts.

Every Wednesday

Dog Training, Socialisation and Ringcraft

Halefield, Woodnewton, near Oundle
Classes from 6.45pm
Tel: 01832 293432, email oundledogs@aol.com or www.oundledogs.co.uk
Dog training classes following the KC Good Citizen Scheme and Ringcraft. New members always welcome.

Every Wednesday (except December)

Rainbow Cafe for Tots (aimed at up to age 5) and their carers

Stanwick Lakes 10.30am–12noon
£2 per child – normal car park charges apply
Tel: 01933 625522

www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Make new and exciting crafts then join Lisa from Music and Movement to play, sing and dance.

First Wednesday every month

Glaphorn WI

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Alternate Wednesdays and Friday Morning/Evenings In July

Local Focus Exploration Group

Raunds Area & Local Villages and Countryside 9.30am–12.30pm or 7.30pm–9pm.
Maps from £2.50 each.
Tel: 01933 461480
Join with the group or buy and try various walk, cycle, bus, or car maps.

Every Thursday during school term time

Music Makers

Titchmarsh Pavilion 9.30am–10.15am
£4 per child and £2 per sibling
Naomi Cooper on musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com
Funky music and movement group for 0–5 years with parachute, puppets, balls, bubbles and more.

Music Makers

Joan Strong Centre, Oundle 11.15am–12noon
£4 per child and £2 per sibling
Naomi Cooper on musicmakersnorthants@gmail.com
Funky music and movement group for 0–5 years with parachute, puppets, balls, bubbles and more.

Little Treasures Tots Group

St Laurence's Church, Stanwick 9.30am–11am
Donations to cover costs
Contact: Nicki 01933 625658
For pre-schoolchildren and their adult carer – Bible story, song, craft and fun. All welcome.

Every Tuesday and Thursday (except Christmas and New Year)

Health Walks

Stanwick Lakes 10am–11am
Free – normal car park charges apply
Tel: 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Regular walking can help improve your health. Join us in our regular walks.

First Friday of the month (recommend checking before travelling)

Craft Cafe

Stanwick Lakes 10.30am–1pm
Modest charges for some materials – normal car park charges apply
Tel: 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Learn new craft skills, share your experience and meet up with crafty friends.

Last Sunday of the month (except December) (recommend checking before travelling)

Local Producers' and Farmers' Market

Stanwick Lakes 10am–2pm
Free entry to market – normal car park charges apply
Tel: 01933 625522
www.stanwicklakes.org.uk
Browse through tempting treats and gifts made and farmed by local businesses.

Second Saturday of the month

WE Watch and Phoenix Group

Stanwick Lakes
For more information email wewatchstanwick@hotmail.co.uk
Tel: 01933 625522
Two clubs for keen young nature lovers. WE Watch for ages 8–13 and Phoenix for ages 13–18. Supported by RSPB and Wildlife Trust.

Last Saturday of the month except December

Farmer's Market

Market Square, Higham Ferrers 9am–1pm
danielle@highamferrers-tc.gov.uk
Aberdeen Angus Beef, Organic Eggs, Vegetables, Italian peppers, Organic Pork and Lamb, Free Range Poultry, Beer, Pork in all its forms in addition to Pickles, Pies, Herbs, Fresh Fish, Fruit and Honey, Preserves, Traditional Bread, Plants & Cheese.



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Haworth took the plaudits in both matches, dropping only seven games throughout. Juliette Haworth/Craig Haworth were just as convincing against Kettering while newcomer Nancy Davison joined Haworth for another four-set haul over Thrapston.

Kettering A remained in contention with a 6-2 win against Thrapston A. Wayne

Tideswell/Leah Milligan and Graeme Milligan/Nicky Evans both accounted for Adrian Way/Judith Wildman, but Mark Stockley/Vanessa Woodhead put in an excellent performance to half 0-6, 6-4 with Tideswell/Milligan and 7-6, 2-6 against Milligan/Evans.

With Thrapston B and Kettering B both languishing near the foot of the table a close encounter always looked likely and it was no surprise when honours finished even. Nick White/Jo White and Martin Welsh/Judith Wildman always had the upper hand against Adam Brown/Rosie Brown. However Jon Burrows/Judy Hills held their nerve to defeat White/White 6-2, 6-4 and Welsh/Wildman 6-3, 6-4.



6-1 to Cave/Letman and 7-5, 6-4 against Fairweather/McTaggart.

Oundle maintained their 100% record with a 7-1 victory over Thrapston C. John Weston made a rare appearance for Oundle and with partner Cynthia Fairley duly obliged winning all four sets. David Barton/Camila Sherwin beat Jim Arkell/Margaret Butler 6-0, 6-0 but had to be content with a 6-4, 6-7 half against Simon Hossack/Judith Wildman.

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Oundle	2	2	0	0	13
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Desborough	2	1	0	1	8
Thrapston C	3	0	0	3	7

Chess Corner

By Derrick Sims

A few weeks ago I reported on a Grand Master game from the recent European Team Championship in Croatia. The scene was round six with Miso Cebalo of Croatia playing white against Eugeni Vasiukov of Russia.

Cebalo tempted Vasiukov into moving his King forward into an indefensible position leading to Vasiukov resigning after only 13 moves. This has now been topped and my spy on the world chess scene has informed me of a Grand Master game leading to resignation after 11 moves.

The scene was the chess super tournament held in Stavanger, Norway. The protagonists were the Italian, Fabiano Caruana and Norwegian, Magnus Carlsen, the current World Champion.

This was a blitz game played under tight time constraints. Fabiano decided to Castle as quickly as possible and in doing so made a basic error. Fabiano was playing black and on the seventh move he moved his Knight

to 'a6'. There is a saying in the chess world that a Knight on the rim is dim; Caruana was about to prove this big time! While Caruana was concentrating on castling Carlson moved the Queen out into an attacking position on Fabiano's Rook. The coup de grâce came when Carlson took Fabiano's 'dim' Knight with his Bishop; to retake the Bishop he would have to expose the Rook to Carlson's Queen. At this level to go a piece down leaves no alternative but resignation.

For those familiar with chess notation I reproduce Fabiano's faux pas below:

1. d4 e6 2. e4 d5 3. Nd2 c5 4. Ng3 cxd4 5. Nxd4 Nf6 6. exd5 Qxd5 7. Nb5 Na6 8. Nc3 Qd8 9. a3 Be7 10. Qf3 O-O 11. Bxa6 Bl.

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